लिए पाइपलाइन नियतन प्रणाली का विकास किया है।

(15) अर्नेट परियोजना सफलतापूर्वक पूरी कर ली गई है। देश भर में 500 से भी अधिक संस्थान, जो शैक्षणिक एवं अनुसंधान संस्थानों के एक समूह का प्रतिनिधित्व करते हैं, सहयोग एवं संचार के लिए सूचना प्राप्त करने, उसे आपस में बांटने तथा उसे दूसरे स्थान पर प्रेषित करने के लिए इस नेटवर्क का व्यापक रूप से इस्तेमाल कर रहे हैं।

Emergence of diseases

421. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the growing threat posed by the emergence of new diseases like AIDS and re-emergence of old ones such as malaria, cholera, dengue, TB and plague; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to prevent the emergence of these diseases?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main strategies adopted to prevent/control the mentioned diseases are as under:—

1. *AIDS* A comprehensive Scheme for the Prevention & Control of HIV/AIDS is currently under implementation throughout the country. The strategies of the Programme consist of (i) behaviour change by creation of mass awareness about HIV/AIDS; (ii) blood safety and rational use of blood (iii) control of sexually transmitted diseases; (iv) surveillence and Clinical Management of HIV/AIDS infected persons.

2. *T.B.* The Government has recently revamped the Tuberculosis programme and has introduced and revised strategy for the control of Tuberculosis using multi-drug chemothreapy (MDT).

3. *Malaria:* The main strategies adopted are (i) Early case detection and prompt treatment; (ii) Vector control by indoor spraying in rural areas with annual parasite incidence 2 & above, with appropriate insecticides and by recurrent anti-larval measures in urban areas;

(iii) Health education and community participation.

4. *Cholera:* Good sanitation & Hygiene and safe drinking water marketly reduce the risk of transmitting entericpathogens including cholera various. Therefore the highest priority is given to practicing the basic principles of sanitation regarding human waste disposal, personal hygiene & food safety as well as ensuring that safe water supply is available, apart from other medical treatment and health education.

5. *Plague:* Activities like survillance, training of workers and upgradation of laboratories have been initiated in the wake of the recent outbreak of Plague in the country.

6. *Dengue:* The dengue fever is parastic infection in which mosquito control measures and chemoprophylaxis are important preventive activities being presently undertaken apart from Health Education in high incidence areas.

Navodaya Vidyalayas in Assam

422. SHRI PARAG CHELIHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Navodaya Videlayas sanctioned so far for Assam;

(b) the details of the Navodaya Vidyalayas which are actually functioning in the State as on date; and

(c) the details of the problems due to which some sanctioned Navodaya Vidyalayas could not start functioning?